



Planning and Community Development

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Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

ECAF: 2023-1062

Motion: 23-398

Type:

- ☐ Contract
☒ Board Appt.
☐ Code Amendment
☐ Budget Action
☐ Other

Requested Handling:

- ☒ Normal
☐ Expedite
☐ Urgent

Fund Source:

- ☐ General Fund
☐ Other
☒ N/A

Executive Rec:

- ☒ Approve
☐ Do Not Approve
☐ N/A

Approved as to

Form:

- ☐ Yes
☐ No
☒ N/A

Subject: Board Reappointment – Snohomish County Council on Aging.

Scope: Motion 23-398 would reappoint Dennis Wheeler to the Council on Aging for a second term.

Duration: Three years, commencing on September 30 (the expiration date of his current first term).

Fiscal Impact: ☐ Current Year ☐ Multi-Year ☒ N/A

Authority Granted: N/A

Background:

This nominee: Dennis Wheeler is a retiree who resides in Council District 3. He is completing a current first term on the Council on Aging.¹ He writes that he has “shown a long commitment to the safety and security of older adults and those with disabilities.” The many past and present volunteer activities on his resume support this statement. Dennis is well-qualified to continue serving on the Council on Aging. County Executive is nominating him to a second term.

The Board: The [Snohomish County Council on Aging](#) is an advisory body to the executive, department of human services, and the division on aging. The council provides advice on matters related to the administration of aging programs, and has the following duties and functions:

- Conduct public hearings and other investigations to determine the needs and priorities of county senior citizens;
- Review and recommend plans, policies, budgets, and funding applications;
- Evaluate the performance of the county aging programs at least annually;
- Advise the department of human services on matters relating to the priorities, objectives, and tasks to be performed by the department;
- Submit to the county executive names of nominees for appointment to the council on aging.

The council consists of up to 30 members (there are currently nine filled positions) recommended by the executive and appointed by the council, appointed for three-year terms with a limit of three terms. Members shall include representatives of senior citizen organizations, local elected officials, and members of the public, and over half of the members must be over 60 years old. (SCC [2.450](#), [2.03](#)).

Request: Move to General Legislative Session on September 27, 2023, for consideration.

¹ Dennis Wheeler’s appointment to his current first term was by Motion 20-541. He has also previously served on the Council on Aging before taking a break between his current first term and prior first term.